Table 1. California Division of Workers' Compensation: Workers' Compensation Claims (in 000's), by Part of Body

PART OF BODY	2000		2001		2002		2003		2004		2005		2006		TOTAL	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent												
Head	71.5	9.9	86.7	9.6	78.4	9.1	73.6	9.0	70.0	9.0	67.0	9.3	65.7	9.8	512.8	9.4
Lower Extremities	122.7	17.0	151.9	16.8	145.3	16.9	137.4	16.8	130.4	16.8	125.0	17.4	121.2	18.1	933.9	17.1
Multiple Body Parts	99.4	13.7	129.6	14.4	129.2	15.0	127.9	15.6	115.6	14.9	103.5	14.4	88.2	13.2	793.4	14.5
Neck	14.3	2.0	18.0	2.0	16.7	1.9	15.8	1.9	14.9	1.9	13.0	1.8	12.0	1.8	104.7	1.9
Trunk	161.4	22.3	201.3	22.3	190.3	22.2	178.2	21.7	166.2	21.5	150.0	20.9	137.5	20.5	1,184.9	21.7
Upper Extremities	254.7	35.1	315.5	34.9	299.3	34.9	287.0	35.0	277.5	35.9	258.8	36.2	245.0	36.6	1,937.8	35.4
TOTAL REPORTED INJURIES	724.0	100.0	903.0	100.0	859.2	100.0	819.9	100.0	774.6	100.0	717.3	100.0	669.6	100.0	5,467.5	100.0
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Unknown	1.3		2.0		3.0		0.5		0.7		0.5		0.4		8.4	

Source: WCIS database, which uses National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI) / Workers' Compensation Insurance Organization (WCIO) codes as follows:

Head--multiple head injury, skull, brain, ear(s), eye(s), nose, teeth, mouth, soft tissue and facial bones.

Lower Extremities--multiple lower extremities, hip, upper leg, knee, lower leg, ankle, foot, toe(s) and great toe.

Multiple Body Parts--artificial appliance, no physical injury, body systems and multiple body systems, multiple body parts, whole body and unclassified.

Neck--multiple neck injury, vertebrae, disc, spinal cord, larynx, soft tissue and trachea.

Trunk--multiple trunk, upper back area, low back area, disc, chest, sacrum and coccyx, pelvis, spinal cord, internal organs and heart.

Upper Extremities--multiple upper extremities, upper arm, elbow, lower arm, wrist, hand, finger(s), thumb, shoulder(s), wrist(s) and hand(s).

Variation in the number of claims across years is affected by noncompliance with reporting requirements and late reporting of claims as well as by changes to fundamental trend and cyclical factors that influence levels of claim activity. Data is based upon calendar year of injury. DWC believes that its database is representative of claims in California's workers' compensation (WC) industry for all years.

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